

What is the Second Coming of Jesus Christ?

The Old Testament prophets did not make clearly distinction between the two comings. This can be seen in Isaiah 7:14, 9:6-7 *Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel.* and Zechariah 14:4 *And in that day His feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, Which faces Jerusalem on the east. And the Mount of Olives shall be split in two.* As a result of the prophecies seeming to speak of two individuals, many believed there would be both a suffering Messiah and a conquering Messiah. What they failed to understand is that there is only one Messiah and He would fulfill both roles. Jesus fulfilled the role of the suffering servant (Isaiah 53) in His first coming. Jesus will fulfill the role of Israel's deliverer and King in His second coming. *"And I will pour on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem the Spirit of grace and supplication; then they will look on Me whom they pierced. Yes, they will mourn for Him as one mourns for his only son, and grieve for Him as one grieves for a firstborn.(ZEC12:10) and Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him, even they who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him. Even so, Amen.(REV1:7)* This describing the second coming, look back to Jesus being pierced. Israel, whole world, will mourn for not having accepted the Messiah the first time He came.

The second coming is spoken of in detail in Revelation 19:11-16, I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and makes war. His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself. He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses. Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And He has on His robe and on His thigh a name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

Jesus Christ is coming back to this Earth very soon. Forty days after his resurrection, Jesus took his disciples to the Mount of Olives, where he was lifted up into the clouds out of their sight, who witnessed Jesus ascended into heaven after his death and resurrection heard the angels declare, *"Men of Galilee, they said, 'why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven'"(ACT1:11).* Zec14:4 identifies location of the second coming as the Mount of Olives. Mat24:30 declares, *"At that time the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, and all the nations of the earth will mourn. They will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of the sky, with power and great glory."* Second coming as a "glorious appearing." (TIT2:13)

Jesus was to return to our Heavenly Father in Heaven until the time of His Second Coming. The angels were confirming Jesus' clear promise that he would return someday in power, glory and judgment. The Second Coming is when Jesus Christ will return to earth in fulfillment of His promises and to fulfill the prophecies made about Him. Jesus Himself promised. From that time until the present day, the followers of Jesus Christ have looked forward to the Second Coming. In fact, Jesus promised His disciples that He would come again. John 14:1-3 says, *"Let not your heart be troubled...In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also."* We are coming to the end of one age and the beginning of the age of Jesus' glorious reign right here on earth. The Second Coming is the literal return of Jesus Christ to earth as King in power and glory to rule for a thousand years.(REV20:1-6)

In Daniel chapter 9:24-27, God allotted unto Jews, two prophetic timetables; a 69-week(483 years) timetable are accounted for in period between the time Daniel received message and time when the Messiah was cut off/crucified. This was up to Jesus Christ's first coming, and a remaining 70th week leading up to His second coming. Hence, this prophecy is widely known as the 70-Weeks prophecy. This leaves one week (7 years) is associated with the time when the Anti-Christ makes a seven year covenant with Israel. Messiahs' earthly ministry to Israel people, from His baptism to His ascension, was 3½ yrs. There has been a gap of two thousand years since Messiah was crucified and still the last week of years to be fulfilled. And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week. In the middle of seven year peace agreement he breaks it which is coming will be the '...but He will be saved out of it'(JER30:6-7;HOS5:15) that God keeps His promise.

In Luke 4:17-21, It is written: to proclaim the 'year of the Lord's favor'[Gospel and Grace] Jesus quoted this verse concerning Himself related to His' first coming as a suffering servant. Then he rolled up the scroll, Jesus didn't read the last part of the same verse in Isa 61:1-2 because 'the day of vengeance of our God' relates to His second coming.(ISA26:21) The vintage of the grape season is when the grapes are trodden down in the winepress. The winepress is the wrath of God, terrible calamity, probably the sword, shedding the blood of the wicked. "The angel swung his sickle on the earth, gathered its grapes and threw them into the great winepress of God's wrath."(REV14:19-20) This is a picture of the blood that will flow at the final battle of Armageddon. "He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty"(REV19:15) Jesus will return in power and great glory. His coming will be final manifestation of the wrath of God upon a sinful world and puts down all unrighteousness. The rebellion of Satan, demons, wicked men is contained, put down and judged. Thus, this world will be destroyed because its people have left God, and worships the Beast, his image, receives his mark. Those who experience judgments, For the great day of His wrath has come, and who is able to stand before it?(REV6:17;20:14)

When is Jesus coming back?

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Jesus will come back soon. However, the exact time when Jesus is coming again no one knows. Mark 13:32 says, "But about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father." Interestingly, the disciples asked Jesus the same question just before He returned to heaven. At that time Jesus told them it was not for them to know the times or seasons which are in the Father's authority. Therefore, Jesus may come back today, tomorrow, next month, next year or 10 years from now. So, what does this mean for you and me? We should be concerned about our preparedness rather than the exact timing of the Second Coming. Always be ready for the second coming of Jesus Christ. The best way we can prepare for the Savior's coming is to accept the teachings of the gospel and make them part of our lives. We should live each day just as Jesus taught when He was on the earth. We can look to the word of God for counsel. We can live worthy to have the Holy Spirit guide us. Then we will look forward to the Savior's coming with happiness. Watch and prayer always because the devil is seeking to distract mankind from understanding the signs/closeness of Jesus' coming. The Lord said: "*Fear not, little flock, the kingdom is yours until I come. Behold, I come quickly. Even so. Amen*"

Why is Jesus taking so long to come back?

Jesus is patiently waiting to come back because He is giving humanity as much time as possible to choose and follow Him. Jesus wants as many people as possible to repent and saved. 2 Peter 3:8-9 says, "*But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is long suffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.*" The Son of God has not yet returned. That means we can and must continue to tell lost and dying souls that Jesus is the Light of Life. So that new souls could be included in the Lord's kingdom and God glorified.

Will Jesus come back secretly?

There are three phases to the Second Coming of Christ. Those who believe in the rapture are convinced that could happen *at any moment*, will suddenly disappear—be "translated" to heaven when Christ returns *invisibly* and *in secret*—one in secret to snatch away His Bride. "*Behold, I am coming as a thief*" (REV16:15) Christ will appear at an hour when world is not aware of, separation will take place. He will break into the house and steal which is most precious to Him, His Bride. The truth is found in the Bible. (REV14:1,16:15) And the world is plunged into the Tribulation. the second phase is implemented and Christ returns *visibly* on middle of Great tribulation for tribulation saints. This event cannot be hidden, every human on earth will see Jesus. He will come back personally and literally. Revelation 1:7 says, "*Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him.*" When first 3 ½ years of tribulation period is about over, Christ will return in the clouds to gather His elect unto glory. Matthew 24:27 states that the return of Christ will be like the brightness of lightning illuminating the entire sky from the east to the west. Jesus will return on sky with power and angels with the sound of a great trumpet, that awakens the righteous dead, gathered from the ends of the earth. Followed by a third "public" advent at the end of Great tribulation, return *with* His saints in power and glory, His feet will stand upon Mount of Olives.

How should we live while we wait?

Christians should be on guard, watching and praying until the day of the Lord. The day of the Lord identifies events that take place at the end of age. It refers to divine judgments that will take place toward the end of the age. (ZEC14:1) The Bible says in Luke 21:34-36, "But take heed to yourselves, lest your hearts be weighed down with carousing, drunkenness, and cares of this life, and that Day come on you unexpectedly. For it will come as a snare on all those who dwell on the face of the whole earth. Christians should be looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God. Watch therefore, and pray always that you may be counted worthy to escape all these things that will come to pass, and to stand before the Son of Man." The disciples of Jesus must therefore be prepared for his return at all times. They must live faithfully for him.

Will the angels come back with Jesus when He returns?

Bible says the angels will return with Jesus and they will come with a loud sound of the trumpet to gather from the whole earth those who have died in Christ. "*When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory:*" (MAT25:31) He will take His glorious throne after arriving on earth in glory.

What happens to the righteous at second coming?

At Jesus' second coming the righteous dead will be raised to life and taken up to heaven along with the righteous who are still alive on the earth. 1The 4:16-17 says, "*For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord.*" The event referred to rapture, a moment when Jesus will call Christians—living and dead—away from earth to be with Him

Are the wicked destroyed by Christ's coming?

When Jesus returns to earth the wicked who are left alive will call for the rocks and hills to fall on them because they cannot look upon the face of Christ. (REV6:15-17) The wicked will be destroyed by flaming fire with everlasting destruction because they reject the gospel. (2TH1:7-10) Their punishment will include eternal ruin and separation from God. The Second Coming is the event when Jesus Christ returns to the earth to defeat evil and establish His reign of justice and peace.

Why is Jesus coming back?

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Bible says that Jesus is coming back to reward the inhabitants of the earth and bring many back to heaven with Him. (REV22:12) Bible also says "Then the King will say to those on His right hand, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.'" (MAT25:34) Jesus, more than anything, wants to spend time with you, He invites you to return to heaven with Him to enjoy an eternity with no more tears, death, pain or suffering.

When will we get immortal bodies?

At the moment of Jesus' second coming, at the last trump, the mortal bodies of the saved will be transformed and they will receive immortal bodies. 1 Corinthians 15:52-53 says, "*In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.*" Those who are dead in Christ will be raised, resurrection bodies will be incorruptible, glorious, powerful and spiritual. The redemption of the body is the rapture. At the resurrection death will be defeated. God has given us the victory over death by forgiving our sin thru faith in Jesus and by His grace.

How Will We Know When the Savior's Coming Is Near?

When Jesus Christ was born and His first coming, very few people knew that the Savior of the world had come. When He comes again at second coming, there will be no doubt who He is. The Lord used a parable to give us an idea of the time of His coming: The Parable of the Fig Tree, represents the nation of Israel that is blossom again! (MAR13:28-29) The Lord has also given us some signs to let us know when His coming is near. There will be terrible times in the last days, great wickedness. (2TI3:1-5) Who can doubt that ours is a day of wickedness or that we live in perilous times? These are indeed the last days. such as: wars, rumors of wars, nation rising against nation, famines, earthquakes, epidemic diseases, which is increasing in our day that we are living in the end times. In Mat 24:37 verse "as it was in the days of Noah" The earth was corrupt before God, and was full of violence. (GEN6:11) In Luk 17:28 "as it was in the days of Lot" The days of Lot was characterized by Sodom and Gomorrah, their sin so grievous. (GEN18:20) After revealing the signs, He cautioned: "Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come. Be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man comes. That leaves one option for those who want to be ready: His followers must stay awake all the time. What would keep you from accepting the invitation of Christ? What would keep you from putting Him first in your life? What would be more important than saying, "I want to pattern my life after Jesus and soon live with Him forever?"

Warnings about the second coming of Jesus?

There are many confusing non-Biblical theories about the second coming of Christ which distract many people. Jesus warned about deceptions in the last days. in Mat 24:4-5 Jesus cautions believers not to be deceived by people coming in the name of Jesus claiming to be Christ. What it appears about signs of Antichrist, one who is against or opposed to Christ.

What is the Millennial Kingdom?

The millennial kingdom is the title given to the 1,000-year reign of Jesus Christ on the earth. Jesus, at the head of armies of heaven, returns to the earth and reign of the world begins as He is King of kings, and Lord of lord. When the seventh trumpet sounds, kingdom will be restored to Israel and Messianic Kingdom of righteousness and peace will begin. "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he will reign for ever and ever" (REV11:15) Jesus Christ will fulfill the promises that He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom in Jerusalem. (ISA9:7; LUK1:32,33) During the Millennium kingdom, Jesus Christ "will rule as King of Kings and reign as Lord of Lords in all the earth, and every knee bend and every tongue shall speak in worship before Him. Each of us will stand to be judged of Him according to our works and the desires of our hearts" (ZAK14:5-9) The 1000-year reign of Jesus on earth is described briefly in Isa 11:6-9. Satan is bound during this period. For the whole Creation is waiting for the sons of God to be revealed, groaning and travailing now, will be delivered from the curse and will regain the Eden order. (ROM8:20,17) Those who are overcomers made "joint heirs with Christ" His inheritance, blessedness, glory will be shared with His redeemed. *Shout and be glad, O Daughter of Zion. For I am coming, and I will live among you, ' declares the Lord.* (ZEC2:10)

What Is the Last Judgment? (The Great White Throne)

The last judgment is also known as the Great White Throne judgment. The Book of Revelation speaks of a final judgment of all the wicked who have ever lived. At the end of the millennium, after the thousand years of peace upon the earth Satan will be released for a little season, there is a final rebellion of Satan, he gathered rebel forces together to battle God and His saints, and one final battle will occur, which will rapidly be won by Christ. (REV20:7-9) After this event there is a final judgment of the wicked. Unbelievers will be resurrected and judged at the great white throne judgment; based on their works, they will be assigned to the lake of fire. "*Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and the books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books.*" (REV20:11)

The presence of Judge on the great white throne causes the earth and heaven to flee away. I am making everything new! a new heaven, a new earth wherein dwells righteousness. Rev21 describes descent of the New Jerusalem from heaven and the beginning of eternal age. Tabernacle of God is with men, redeemed will live in face-to-face presence with God.